

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, lines 5-7 to read as follows:

This application claims benefit of priority under 35 USC §119 from Japanese Patent Application Nos. 8-147452, filed June 10, 1996, 9-001115, filed January 8, 1997, 9-153137, filed May 28, 1997 and 9-346404, filed December 16, 1997. This application also claims benefit of priority under 35 USC §120 and is a divisional of U.S. application serial no. 10/225,239, filed August 22, 2002, which is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 09/976,154, filed October 15, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,473,331, which is a divisional of U.S. application serial no. 09/609,058, filed June 30, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,320,782, which is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 09/208,831, filed December 10, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,094,370, which is a continuation-in-part of ~~co~~-pending U.S. application serial no. 08/872,874, filed June 10, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,903,492, the entire contents of each of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.